

Application No. 09/901,106

REMARKS

In their paper filed November 25, 2002, Applicants inadvertently canceled allowed claims 54-60. The present paper reintroduces these claims as new claims 63-69. Claims 43, 45, 51, 52, and 63-69 are now pending in the application.

Applicants submit that the present claims are directed to patentable subject matter and that the specification well-describes the claimed invention. The favorable action of allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

If there are any minor matters precluding allowance of the application, which may be resolved by a telephone discussion, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Mark J. Nuell, Ph.D. (Reg. No. 36,623) at (703) 205-8000.

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